



CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Alabama Agriculture Counts!!



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Crop Condition Good as Planting Continues

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 1, 2014**

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Yr Avg.
	(percent)			
Corn Emerged	97	96	96	97
Corn Silking	4	1	1	8
Cotton Planted	78	64	95	89
Cotton Squaring	6	na	0	1
Peanuts Planted	76	52	78	75
Soybeans Planted	60	49	41	53
Soybeans Emerged	48	37	27	38
Winter Wheat Headed	100	98	99	99
Winter Wheat Harvested	14	10	10	20
Hay Harvested – First Cutting	75	58	66	69
N/A =Not Available				

CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	0	1	19	68	12
Winter Wheat	1	2	17	61	19
Livestock	0	2	24	56	18
Pasture & Range	0	3	25	54	18

SOIL MOISTURE

Topsoil	This Week	Previous Week	5-Year Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very Short	1	1	10
Short	11	9	21
Adequate	65	63	58
Surplus	23	27	11

Subsoil	This Week	Previous Week	5-Year Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very Short	0	0	N/A
Short	6	8	N/A
Adequate	70	67	N/A
Surplus	24	25	N/A

GENERAL:

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Alabama Field Office, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 1, 2014. Precipitation

estimates for the state ranged from 0.13 inches of rain in Muscle Shoals to 5.03 inches in Mobile. Average mean temperatures ranged from 74.6°F in Haleyville to 77.7°F in Montgomery.

EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS: This past week was very conducive for field work. We had favorable weather to allow field work to be done and also warmer temperatures for the crops to mature and grow. The wheat crop has tremendous potential. The corn and soybean crops are off to a good start as well. - **Danny McWilliams, ACES CEC, Colbert, Fayette, Franklin, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marion, Walker, and Winston Counties.**

Isolated showers fell across parts of Jackson County over the weekend with most of the county only getting a few tenths of an inch. Wheat harvest should start later this week. Hay harvest is progressing very well with cool season grasses yielding below normal primarily due to the hard winter. - **Donald Mann, FSA CED, Jackson County.**

We recorded less than an inch for both Randolph and Clay Counties this past week. Both counties fell short of average rainfall for the month of May. Cattle prices remain high. - **Carol Gay, FSA CED, Clay and Randolph Counties.**

The area was beginning to get dry, but received over 3 inches of rain this past week. - **Brenda Glover, ACES REA, Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry, and Sumter Counties.**

Planting continued last week with all crops looking good at this time. Rain last week delayed harvest of wheat. - **Marie Headley FSA CED, Bibb and Perry Counties.**

Scattered rain showers across the area kept most fieldwork to a minimum last week but most stands of cotton, corn, and soybeans look good. Some re-planting of cotton has been reported. - **Jeffery Smith FSA CED, Coosa, Elmore, and Tallapoosa Counties.**

Recent rains have delayed wheat harvest. - **Don Moore, Director of AL Experiment Station, Autauga County.**

Monroe County received more rain this past week further hindering cotton, peanut, and soybean planting as well as wheat harvest in the county. - **Karen McDonald, FSA CED, Monroe County.**

Hay cutting was halted due to scattered showers experienced last week. - **Charles Simon, ACES CES, Covington County.**

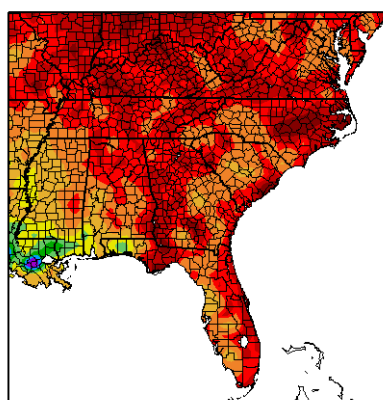
Peanut and cotton planting are approximately 85 percent complete. Small grain harvest has begun. - **James Jones, Jr., ACES CEC, Henry County.**

Scattered thundershowers caused delays in planting last week. - **Willie Durr, ACES CEC, Houston County.**

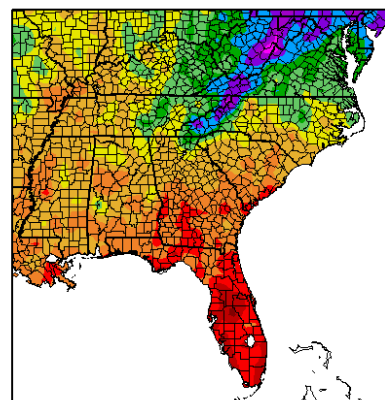
Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

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Precipitation (in)
5/25/2014 – 5/31/2014



Temperature (F)
5/25/2014 – 5/31/2014



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U.S. Drought Monitor - May 27, 2014

National Weather Service

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Drought Condition (Percent Area):

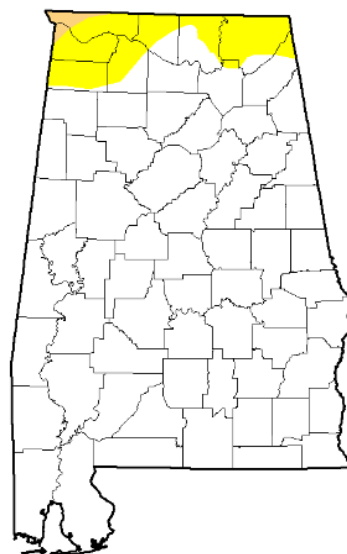
Week	Date	Nothing	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	5/27/2014	91.80	8.20	0.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week	5/20/2014	92.99	7.01	0.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago	2/25/2014	90.20	9.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year	12/31/2013	97.35	2.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year	10/1/2013	96.85	3.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago	5/28/2013	86.96	13.04	3.18	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Intensity:

D0 - Abnormally Dry	D3 - Extreme Drought
D1 - Moderate Drought	D4 - Exceptional Drought
D2 - Severe Drought	

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying [text summary](#) for forecast statements.



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